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PIONEER CITIZEN
IS DEADSamuel W. Simmons Sud-
denly Passes Away

The sad news reached St. Johns Saturday morning that Samuel J. Simmons had passed to the great beyond, at the Crystal Springs Sanitarium at 3 o'clock that morning. He had appeared in such excellent health physically but a few days before that the news of his death came as a distinct shock to this community.

Samuel Simmons was born near Vancouver, Wash., and about 32 years ago he bought a tract of land near the outskirts of St. Johns. A year later he married and settled down upon his newly purchased property. The Peninsula was at that time practically a howling wilderness and the land he purchased was in its very rawest state. But by dint of hard work and a vast amount of energy he transformed it into a model farm, well stocked with fine horses and cattle. Always a lover of well bred horses, he raised some of the finest that has ever been seen in this part of the country, and his blooded stock had a reputation far and wide. In his younger days and before the coming of the railroad he had worked in various positions along the river, and at one time owned and operated a small steamer that plied between Portland and the mouth of the river. Possessed of a strength much greater than the ordinary mortal, his services were always in great demand.

While seemingly to be enjoying almost perfect health up to the hour of his death, his mind became clouded during a few days before his demise, which is ascribed to his brooding over some domestic troubles he is known to have had. He leaves a wife and four sons, Herbert, George, Norman and Ray, to survive him.

Practically everyone in St. Johns knew "Sam" Simmons as he was familiarly called. His large, robust figure was visible almost every day upon our streets, and his cheery voice and hearty handshake were very familiar to all his friends and acquaintances. For a number of years he had conducted a feed stable at the corner of Richmond and Hayes streets, and for the past seven years had been Road Supervisor. He knew how to build good roads and took great pleasure and pride in doing so. He was well fixed in this world's goods, the remaining portion of his farm, which he purchased for a mere song 32 years ago, now being estimated as being worth over \$100,000, and he also possessed other valuable property.

The funeral was held in the Evangelical church Tuesday at 1 p. m., Rev. C. P. Gates delivering the sermon. A large crowd of the friends of the deceased were in attendance.

At the Stockyards

The receipts for the week at the Peninsula stock yards have been: 998 cattle, 45 calves, 2873 hogs, 349 sheep, 230 goats and 131 horses. The very light run of cattle following the heavy receipts of poor quality stuff for the two preceding weeks has given the packers a chance to clear their pens to some extent and the demand can be said to be strong. The market has been active throughout the week, with good cows as the feature. Good fat cattle of every class are wanted. The hog market has been active and strong—prices have not ruled as high for all classes as two weeks ago. A good many loads sold for \$8.00 per hundred but some hogs that would have brought that price two weeks ago sold for \$7.75 to \$7.85. Good even, well fattened hogs are quotable at \$8.00 and the market generally can be said to be strong. There have not been enough sheep to make a market and there is a very active demand for fat wethers and lambs.

Mrs. J. F. Aldrich has departed for Bismark, N. D., where she will spend the winter. She has been the guest of her brother, Chief-of-police, Bredeson, since the last of March, and she is more than pleased with St. Johns.

Work for a Greater St. Johns.

HANDS IN HIS
RESIGNATIONWhich is Reluctantly Ac-
cepted by Council

Council met in regular session Tuesday evening, and roll call proved that all members were present with Mayor Hendricks presiding. Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

A report from the lessee of the rock crusher showing the amount of rock turned out during the month and enclosing check for \$61.27 was received.

Bills to the amount of \$242.42 were allowed.

An ordinance adopting the viewers' report on Fessenden street from the line of the city limits to the river, was given its first official reading. As it contains about 57 typewritten pages, after it was read the second time by title, it was decided to delay third reading and final passage until next week, after which it will appear in the Review in full, thus giving all interested an opportunity of knowing just how the benefits and damages had been distributed by the viewers along the entire thoroughfare. It required almost 50 days on the part of the viewers to complete the voluminous document.

The resignation of Councilman F. P. Brown of the second ward was then read. Owing to ill health in his family Mr. Brown has decided to remove for a time to another locality in the hope that the change of climate will be beneficial to the ill one, and in the meantime a stress of other business requiring his attention until he departs making it impossible for him to give the proper amount of time to municipal matters, he decided to hand in his resignation. Since circumstances were in this shape, council regretfully accepted the resignation and his successor will be elected next Tuesday night. Mayor Hendricks voiced the sentiment of the entire council when he stated that it was with the deepest regret the resignation of Mr. Brown was received, that he was ever faithful to his duties and had never been found wanting. Mr. Brown expressed his regret in turn at being compelled to withdraw, that he tried to do his duty at all times as he saw it, and that he had never been associated with a body of men who worked so harmoniously together, devoted their time so unselfishly to the municipal good, and accomplished so much with so little money to work with.

The Bird Got Away

He was a preacher in a small eastern town, and he desired to do something different, something that would stir the people to a realistic idea of their condition and awake them from a lethargy that seemed to possess them. After thinking the matter over carefully, prayerfully and thoughtfully for a time, he conceived the idea of having his young son climb up into a loft over the church with a dove, and at a certain time during the course of his sermon he would clasp his hands and exclaim: "Now, let the dove of peace descend." As the preacher uttered these words the boy was to gently lift the trap door and let the bird descend upon the congregation. The plan pleased him greatly and he decided to carry it into practice. Accordingly shortly before his next service the boy took the dove and ascended into the loft with it. Everything went along swimmingly until the preacher suddenly clapped his hands and said: "Now, let the dove of peace descend" and he rolled his eyes toward heaven. The dove not coming forth, he repeated the words more vigorously, but still no bird. Again he shouted the message and clapped his hands long and loud, but no dove. Just as he was about to give it another trial, the trap door opened and a thin voice piped: "Stop your clapping, dad; the d—n bird got away."

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TERMINAL MAY BE IN ST. JOHNS

The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad Co. Reported
to Have Decided Upon Locating Their Terminals
on the Large Weyerhaeuser Property

The article published below, coming from North Yakima and taken from the Oregonian, will be welcome news to our citizens if the plan as outlined materializes. Rumor persistently has it that the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul R. Co. own a controlling interest in the Weyerhaeuser tract in the north end. If this is true, it is more than probable that the terminal yards of the line will be located there, and their wharves, switches, carshops, etc., will also be erected on that property. Its coming would be of incalculable value to St. Johns and it is sincerely hoped that the report is more than a passing rumor.

That the main Pacific Coast terminal of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul extension will be located at Portland, and the Oriental trade will be handled out of the Columbia River, instead of from Puget Sound, became known here today, when plans matured six months ago for building a new town in the

Ahtanum valley, south of North Yakima, were made public.

"This new town is to be on the line of the Milwaukee road that will run from Beverly, where the road crosses the Columbia above Priest Rapids to St. Johns, where it is reported the new Oriental terminals will be built.

"The new line as planned, will run down the west side of the Columbia river from opposite Beverly nearly to Hanford, over territory that has been in litigation between the Milwaukee and the North Coast. From the Hanford country the line will turn west, traversing a low pass in the Rattlesnake Hills, and running down the Moxee valley to within a mile of this city, where it will cross the Yakima, run up the Ahtanum valley to the head waters of the Klickitat, following that valley to the Columbia at a point opposite The Dalles. There the line will cross the river and branch; one line running to Portland and the other to Central Oregon.

"Surveyors have been busy on

this route for the past three years, but had not obtained a satisfactory grade until April. The new line is almost a water grade, and will be shorter than the route over the Cascades to Puget Sound, and thus better for freight hauls.

"The news of this intended change leaked out here through the division of the Moyer ranch in the Ahtanum into town lots, and the statement of Milwaukee right of way agents and engineers that the grade had been secured and the needed land bought.

"The new line, instead of running largely through forest reserve land, as does the Puget Sound branch, will tap the Hanford wheat region, the Moxee, Yakima, Ahtanum and Klickitat fruit valleys, and will open the way for a third road into Central Oregon, with its undeveloped resources. The line is actually under construction from Beverly toward Hanford, and grading in this region is expected shortly; in fact, trains have been promised into the Yakima valley by the end of next year."

More Help Needed

The busiest place in this entire section just now seems to be the local O. R. & N. office at the foot of Burlington street. For the vast amount of business transacted there however, it is very apparent to all who visit that hive of industry that the force is woefully inadequate for the vast amount of business to be done since the less than car load service has been installed. The city feels very thankful for the local service, which puts us on the map as a shipping point, but we believe it would warrant the company to increase their force here. A good soliciting among the shippers occasionally would help greatly, and the company should add enough force to allow a man to do a little outside hustling, so there will be no danger of us losing this service on account of lack of patronage. Agent A. W. Davis would be an admirable man for this work, as he is well acquainted with all the shippers and is particularly well liked by all. The city wants the service continued and improved as time goes on, and the company should not endanger our chances of keeping this service by a shortness of help in the office at this place.

Something Different

Manchurian larks, entirely new songbirds for this country, will be liberated in Oregon next Spring, being the first of this species ever brought to America. Mrs. Fred D. Fisher, wife of the American consul at Niu-Chwang, Manchuria, who returned to America last week with her husband, brought back 15 of the birds. She will keep them through the winter and liberate them in the spring. The imported songsters are rated as among the best song birds in the world. They are about the size of the native lark but are the color of the wren. The Chinese keep them in cages in their homes.

Nothing Very Good

Chief of Police Bredeson has returned from a couple of weeks' tour of Lane and Klamath counties, whither he went in quest of a good homestead. He found, however, that the land was not as good as he expected to find, the ground being very dry and unproductive without the aid of water which was quite scarce and difficult to utilize. The best sections of the land were taken and the outlook for settlers securing something valuable in the way of homesteads in Oregon are getting very scarce and hard to locate.

Dr. B. T. Rambo, who has been in Spokane the past week on business, returned home yesterday morning.

W. R. C. Doings

The W. R. C. of St. Johns held a very interesting meeting on the 6th. There was a large attendance and everyone was very enthusiastic and many plans were laid for future work.

An invitation was received from Compton Post to attend their campfire on the 20th, which was gladly accepted, knowing they will have a pleasant time.

Mrs. Lathrop, having bought one of our quilt covers, gave a quilting at the home of Mrs. Reynolds of Portsmouth on the 11th. Many willing hands soon finished the quilt, then a pleasant hour was spent partaking of light refreshments and laying plans for the future.

On the 20th, after the campfire, the W. R. C. will hold their regular meeting, at which three new members will be received. All members of the organization are requested to attend this meeting to make arrangements for the election of officers at the first meeting in December.

Mrs. R. H. M. Press Correspondent.

Would Make a "Dandy"

John Poff has been circulating a petition the past few days for the appointment of road supervisor to fill the vacancy caused by the death of S. W. Simmons. Mr. Poff has had plenty of experience in road building, and is fully competent in every way to fill the position. It is hoped the county authorities will appoint him to the "job". John has a host of friends in St. Johns and all are glad of an opportunity to give him a boost. Certainly no mistake would be made in making John Poff road supervisor for this district.

A Serious Accident

J. A. Simpson met with a serious and unfortunate accident Monday, while splitting cord wood near the city dock. He was driving a wedge through a log, when a piece of metal chipped off and flew into his eye, splitting his eyeball in twain. He was taken to the Good Samaritan hospital, Portland, where it was found that the metal had stuck in the wall of the eye and it was necessary to remove the ball.

Captain Batter, of the Government Moorings, has been in a Portland hospital for sometime, where he suffered a serious operation. He is getting along nicely at this writing, however.

The store of A. Unger, adjoining the Peninsula bank, has been enclosed in fine shape, and now Mr. Unger has one of the finest stores of its kind in St. Johns.

Won a Silver Medal

C. H. Boyd, Principal of the Central school, has received the following from the President of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Commission: Dear Sir: We wish to inform you that the St. Johns Public Schools received a Silver Medal for the general educational display exhibited by them in the Oregon Building at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition. The Oregon Commission desire to thank you for the splendid exhibit made by the school under your supervision and we wish to assure you that your work helped materially in winning new laurels for Oregon's Educational System.

Yours very truly
W. H. Wehrung, President.

Robbers in Town

The North Bank Pharmacy and a jewelry store adjoining were visited by robbers Sunday evening. Entrance was gained through the back door which was evidently opened by plying of some sort. Ten dollars was taken from the till of the pharmacy and Mr. Currin also missed a safety razor. In the jewelry store a number of rings and other jewelry were stolen. No clue has developed as to who the miscreants were.

A Delightful Dance

The Bachelors' Club held another delightful dance in Bickner hall last Thursday evening. The hall was decorated in a most pleasing manner and the effect produced showed plenty of labor and ingenuity. A goodly sized crowd was in attendance, and everything passed off smoothly and pleasantly. Their next dance will be held Christmas eve, and one will also be given New Year's eve.

Returns to St. Johns

C. R. Organ and family have returned to St. Johns after several months' stay in Salt Lake City, Utah, where Mr. Organ was employed at contract work in line with his calling. He stated that work was plentiful and wages good, but the climate did not agree with Mrs. Organ. He has purchased a farm down the valley since returning, but they will abide in St. Johns for some time before taking possession of the new ranch.

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Work for a Greater St. Johns.

WILL ADD NEW
DEPARTUREVogue Millinery Puts in
Ladies' Apparel Stock

The Vogue has added another department to the up-to-date millinery emporium on North Jersey, and that is a full and complete line of ladies' suits, coats, capes, etc. Everything will be of the most modern in style and design. Mrs. Stucker has made arrangements to secure her goods direct from the manufacturer, which dispenses with the middleman's profit, and the fact that her rent will be no more, and there will be no extra cost for light, heat, etc., she will be in a position to sell the new goods at prices even lower than obtains in Portland. No shoddy or inferior goods will be carried and only the latest, choicest and best will be kept in stock. Mrs. Stucker feels that a select line of ladies' skirts, suits, coats and capes is a long felt want in St. Johns, and it will be her aim at all times to keep the line complete in every particular. The splendid reputation she has established in the millinery business is sufficient assurance that the new line she will carry will be in no wise inferior in quality and finish to the goods she has been in the habit of carrying. The new goods will be ready for inspection tomorrow, and all the ladies of St. Johns and vicinity are cordially invited to call and examine them. Mrs. Stucker deserves to be congratulated upon the enterprise she has evinced in placing the new line.

Hatchery Opened

The Bonneville Salmon hatchery, the biggest in the world, which will be the central fish hatchery for this state, was opened Saturday with appropriate exercises. Governor Benson, State Treasurer Steel, Fish Warden McAllister, of Oregon, and Fish Commissioner Riesland, of Washington, together with a number of prominent cannermen of both states attended. The new hatchery is a model plant, and has a capacity of 60,000,000 eggs, there being now about 20,000,000 on hand. Nursery and feeding ponds are provided for 3,000,000 young fish.

Prevaricators Plenty

Geo. L. Perrine, the Socialistic spellbinder, has returned from a trip to Lane county, where he was gazing over the country with a view to securing a homestead. He was very much disgusted with that part of the state, however, and believes there is more unblushing prevaricators there to the square inch than in any other section of the globe. He said it was a difficult matter to find enough level ground to lie down upon, and he would have to have an awful grudge against his family to take them to that county to live.

Meeting of Dairymen

Oregon dairymen will meet in Portland Dec. 9 and 10 and plans already under way for the gathering indicate it will be one of the most interesting conventions in the history of the association. There will be a large attendance of dairymen from Washington and Oregon and a fine lot of exhibits of dairy products. One prominent creamery will exhibit over 50 kinds of cheese gathered from all over the world. This showing is bound to be of very great interest.

Building Permits

No. 93—To A. E. Simmons, to erect a dwelling on Mohawk street between Burr and Fairhaven streets for Raymond Lee; estimated cost, \$1200.

No. 94—To E. E. Rading, to erect a dwelling on Hartman street between Meyers and Cruikshank; estimated cost, \$2000.

Preach the gospel of St. Johns.

HOUSE IS RAZED
BY FIREInmates Barely Escaped
With Their Lives

The residence destroyed by fire Thursday evening of last week was owned and occupied by Frank and Charles Sjothol. The origin of the conflagration is unknown. The brothers say they retired about 11:30 o'clock and awoke about 3 to find the house in flames. Charles had to help his wife to the ground from the second story window on account of the close proximity of the flames. Outside of a piano and a few minor articles, everything was destroyed, and the inmates escaped very scantily clad. The loss is estimated at about \$3600, and insurance carried amounted to \$1700. The residence was a fine, large one and was located at 108 Fox street. The alarm was sent in after the flames had gained such headway that the fire department could do nothing, especially so since water for fire purposes is a scarce quantity in that neighborhood.

May Reach Congress

The death of Cadet Eugene Byrne in the city of New York the other day from injuries received at foot ball recently has raised the ire of opposers of the game all over the country. Much has been said against foot ball but while the fatalities in the past are enough to horrify the ordinary citizen who leads a quiet life the players have had it pretty much their own way and after a fatality is forgotten a community picks up its courage and permits the game to go on. Now however there seems to be a set opinion against it all through the east and that east is not far from Washington. It may reach congress before the winter is over.

Helped His Speed

Officer Dunbar fired four shots after a fleeing man who had resisted arrest last Thursday night. Neither of the shots took effect, but the fugitive's speed was greatly accelerated by reason thereof. The officer had started to arrest two local young men for drunkenness and disorderly conduct. He got one but the other made his getaway amid the hail of bullets.

Visited the "Kid"

Miss Louisa Thwaite of New York City was the guest of her brother, Joseph of Harris' cigar store last week. Miss Thwaite is 80 years old, and she visited St. Johns to see how the "kid" was getting along. Joseph, the "kid," however, is nearly 70 years of age himself.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Rogers have returned from a week or ten days' trip to Monmouth and other points in the Willamette valley. S. W. brought home several mementoes of the trip in the shape of Chinese pheasants which fell beneath his trusty shotgun.

A Thanksgiving meeting will be held in the Evangelical Church next Thursday, Nov. 25, at 10:30 a. m. The sermon will be preached by Rev. C. L. Owen, pastor of the Baptist church. Everybody is invited to attend.

The successful contestant in the "Who's Who" contest will be announced in next week's issue.

Rev. Fred Clark and wife of Midville, Mich., are guests at A. C. Gesler's this week.

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